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SUBJ: VISIT TO U.S. BY PEKO DAPCEVIC

1. CHARGE HAS BEEN TOLD BY JELKO ZAGAR , AIDE TO SFRY ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT GLIGOROV, THAT ASSEMBLY VICE PRESIDENT PEKO DAPCEVIC WILL BE VISITING MEXICO AND CANADA THIS APRIL. ZAGAR MENTIONED THAT HE WAS THINKING OF RECOMMENDING TO GLIGOROV THAT DAPCEVIC USE HIS TIME IN NORTH AMERICA TO VISIT U.S. AS WELL, MAKING A SHORT STOPOVER IN EITHER WASHINGTON, D.C. OR NEW YORK. ZAGAR ADDED THAT YUGOSLAVS HAD BEEN VERY HAPPY WITH RECENT CODEL ALBERT AND MORGAN VISITS, BUT THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT YUGOSLAV PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE RETURN VISIT THIS YEAR DUE TO U.S. ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY FEELS THAT DAPCEVIC VISIT TO U.S. WOULD DEFINITELY BE IN OUR INTEREST. IN VIEW OF YUGOSLAV HOSPITALITY TO OUR CONGRESSMEN, AND UNLIKELIHOOD OF YUGOSLAV PARLIAMENTARY DEL VISIT U.S. THIS YEAR, DAPCEVIC
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VISIT WOULD REPRESENT ONE OF FEW MEANS AT OUR DISPOSAL

FOR RETURNING YUGOSLAV HOSPITALITY AND MAINTAINING DIALOGUE
AT POLITICAL LEVEL. IN ADDITION, DAPCEVIC VISIT WOULD BE
SHORT, THUS INVOLVING A MINIMUM OF WORK ON PART OF USG.
REQUEST EARLY RESPONSE. SWEITZER

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